

AUTUMN DAYS AT BLUE RIDGE

Southern Families Linger On Account of the Yellow Fever.

A CONGENIAL COMPANY

Delightful Days and Many Pleasures to Bequile Them.

BLUE RIDGE SPRINGS, VA., Sept. 23.—All nature is in harmony with these bright September days, and has donned her richest raiment of gorgeous coloring, growing more and more brilliant as the days go by, as though inviting and almost compelling a longer stay in the mountains. The commercial spirit, though, invades these sacred domains and impels the bread-winner to return to the cities, and so, the Blue Ridge colony grows smaller and more sadly less when the pleasant time of the year has come for out-door life.

The families from New Orleans and Vicksburg, Miss., find this a congenial haven, while awaiting more favorable conditions at their own homes—for, while the yellow fever reports are encouraging, it is not safe to return, where it prevails. Much sympathy is felt for the stricken cities, for any suggestion of such a visitation entails great commercial loss, which is not to be compared with the possible greater loss of life. In the fever, however, which has visited the South, this season, the proportion of mortality has been very small.

The depletion of numbers here, has drawn a still closer the family relations, and all are united in filling the hours with pleasure. To this end, many cosy little card parties are nightly planned, while the young people who "hold the fort" still indulge in the dance. Mrs. W. L. Moody, of Galveston, charmingly entertained a seven-hand euchre party during the week, at which refreshments were served. Mrs. Stone entertained with an after-dance luncheon, at Lake Cottage, which she has occupied for so many seasons.

Col. Spaight, the dean of the encampment, was host of a duplicate whist party on Wednesday evening.

The Madames Cowan, of Vicksburg, have had two bridge whist parties, and they always entertain in the best style.

On Thursday evening, Mrs. Thaddeus Clark, of Washington, D. C., was hostess at an entertainment with cards, complimentary to Mr. John Langman, of New York, a prominent business man of that city, who has stopped over to take a taste of the "elixir of life," as found in the ever flowing fountain of Blue Ridge Springs. He makes annual visits to friends in Albemarle county, Va., but will not pass this resort without a stay of a few days, and always finds here a warm welcome, from those who have known him before, and appreciate his attainments.

Major E. M. Todd, of Smithfield, with his family, was one of the losses in our party, recorded during the past week. The major is a unique character, scornful of the shams of social life and expressing himself thereon, in an original style, all his own, but loyal and sound to the core, as a friend. He is a "joker," that captures all in sight, and told one on himself while here, that is worth repeating. From some relative he had an inheritance, and when asked, what of the personal property he desired, he replied that he wanted a bronze bear's head, that he might have placed upon his grave with the inscription, "Lord of the Forest." He is so well known as the manufacturer of the celebrated "Todd hams" of Smithfield, that the point of this joke is not obscure. The bear's head is now in his possession, and may it long await his purpose. He and his family are annual patrons of Blue Ridge, and we miss them greatly. Some of our colony will go to New York for October, while a few will still remain here, knowing that nowhere else can such comfort and care be found, than under the roof of Mr. and Mrs. Brown, who expend on their guests more individual thought, than one usually finds in hotel life.

The distressing condition of ex-Governor O'Ferrall is deeply felt here, and our correspondent, who was the guest of himself and Mrs. O'Ferrall at the mansion during his administration as Governor of Virginia, would pay tribute to his great worth as a scholar and gentleman, and extend as an offering from Texas, a loving sympathy to Virginia for the possible loss of one of her noblest sons and servants, as well as bravest and best soldiers.

The arrivals of the week are: Mr. J. B. and P. A. Cowan, Vicksburg, Miss.; Mr. R. G. Dally, Roanoke, Va.; Mr. A. L. Johnson, Roanoke, Va.; Mr. H. J. Southard, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. L. B. Boatwright, South Carolina; Miss Alice E. Lynch, Norfolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Othens, Chicago; Mr. O. W. Huddleston, Roanoke, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. V. Thomas, Silver, S. C.; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sindall, Silver,

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B. C. Mr. W. O. Anderson, Shawville, Va.; Mr. Chas. C. Wightman, New York; Mr. D. A. Danville, Roanoke; Mr. W. D. Herbert, Lynchburg; Mr. T. B. Lane, Norfolk; Chas. H. Cuthbert, Petersburg; Va.; Mr. J. Langan, Norfolk.

BUSY SCENE

Great Movement of the Albemarle Apple Crop.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) AFTON, VA., September 23.—The depot at Afton is a busy place this week, and will continue so for many weeks, on account of the large shipments of apples from the North and West, have been over all the orchards, and nearly all the fruit has been sold on the trees. Larger shipments than usual have been made to Cincinnati and the West. The pippins are of good size and quality, and the red fruit is of a very superior grade. Thousands of dollars' worth of No. 1 apples will be sent to the home markets and abroad during the next thirty days. Prospects are fine for a large chestnut crop, which is also very profitable to the Nelson people.

EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

The Allowances Made By Pittsylvania's Supervisors.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CHATHAM, September 22.—Following are the allowances made by Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors since January 2, 1905:

Six months' salary Superintendent Poor	\$160 00
Judges and clerks of election	48 00
Registars	88 70
Half cost building bridge near Chatham	30 00
Bridge across Chain creek, near Calhoun's and Laudamays	22 74
Working roads by machines	68 18
Working roads otherwise	7,000 00
Lumber and repairing bridges	184 23
Public board proceedings	32 30
Paupers' coffins	31 50
Lunacy charges	127 96
Copying land books	80 00
T. J. Mays, overseer poor	20 00
Inquest over paupers	42 00
Caring for county teams	270 58
Supervisors	129 00
Repairs court-house and jail	210 00
Repairs jail and water-works	76 88
Small-pox charges	296 10
Making, printing and posting of capitulations paid for 1903 and 1904	360 08
Taxes and cost case R. I. Anderson against county about income tax	282 03
Commission settling treasurer account	83 71
Incidental expenses of poor-house board	3 75
Superintendent of Poor, balance for supplies	7 65
Supplies for paupers not at almshouse	5 11
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Counting ballots for local option election	289 21
	5 50

A Coon Hunt in Old Powhatan.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) MOHICUM, VA., September 22.—A jolly party, consisting of Messrs. Purke and French, Patton, of Ashland; Alma Thraves, Cury Valentine, of Richmond; Patrick Hobson with Captain Joseph Hobson, Messrs. Paul Michael, Haskins, Hobson, John and Macon Hobson, indulged in a coon hunt a few nights ago, during the "old moon" of the month of September. The party, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. J. Haskins Hobson, after partaking of a genuine old Virginia supper, they started out in the full light of a glorious autumn moon. A fine pack of hounds soon gave the welcome sound so dear to a true hunter's ear, and with a great yelp and bound darted forward, as the woods echoed the merry sound. But great was the disappointment when, after spending some time in view, and we found out that the coon was not there. We soon were reconciled to its humor, for a log fire was built and a corn field visited, and by the bright light of the moon, sang "coon songs" and listened to Captain Joe's war stories, which every one who has ever heard him can prove, were both interesting and amusing.

We then slowly wended our way back to the house, where, after spending some time in dancing, "Lord of the Dance," of the coon hunt where no coon was caught, and the wish that some time we would again have the pleasure of enjoying the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Haskins Hobson, and his attractive young hostess.

Will Make Hard Fight.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) COMORN, VA., Sept. 23.—The present indications are that the campaign especially for the House of Delegates will be pretty hot hereabouts by the middle or latter part of next week. Mr. F. W. Payne, the Republican nominee for the House, is a candidate against his will, but says that as he has accepted the nomination, he is determined to win. He is not only an experienced and successful politician and campaigner, but he is a very popular man, and the Democrats will have to "strut their stuffs" if they defeat him.

Story of Three Boys.

Three boys were told to go and take the exact time by the town clock. The first came back and said: "It is 12 o'clock." He became in a little while a book-seller. The second was more exact. He said it was three minutes after 12. He became a doctor. The third looked at the clock, found out how long it took him to walk back to the house, returned to the clock, then added the time of his walk to the time shown, and reported the result. "It is at this moment 12 hours, 10 minutes and 15 seconds." That boy came to distinction at Helmholtz, the scientist.

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A WONDERFUL NATURAL REMEDY
Stomach and Bowel Troubles, Indigestion, Kidney and Bladder Troubles.

It matters not what your disease is, you should give A. I. M. a trial. A often cures after all else has failed. Its analysis shows eight prominent factors of the human body. Nothing else like it in all the world.

Like a Mineral Spring at Your Door

In a Concentrated Form.

Will not hurt the Teeth. Does not contain Narcotics. Absolutely has no equal for diseases peculiar to women. Thousands are being cured by its use.

See What Responsible People Say of It.

Norfolk, Va., July 25, 1905.
Acid Iron Mineral.
Dear Sir:—I cannot take iron in any form, but I can take Acid Iron Mineral with great benefit, as it heals instead of irritating my stomach.

It is truly a great remedy.
Sincerely,
(MR.) M. F. VELLINGS,
114 Lovett Ave., Norfolk, Va.

It is nature's own remedy. Man cannot make it. Registered trade-mark, A. I. M., on each bottle. All we ask is a trial. Only 50c for four weeks' treatment. Sold by druggists, or write to

ACID IRON MINERAL COMPANY, . . . Salem, Va.

Basement Specials.

One of the most enthusiastic quarters in the whole house. To-morrow's selling will be extremely out of the ordinary.

Fancy Outings for Klmonos, new, now selling at, per yard 12 1/2c
Light and Dark Checked Outings—a really good line—50, 81-8c, 10c yard.

36-inch Union Linen, for furniture covering, worth 25c; sale price, per yard 16 3/4c

Another showing best quality yard-wide Solid Color Denims for curtains or draperies; sale price, per yard 22c

W. B. Nuform Corsets.

Models Nos. 403, 417, 729 at \$1.00 Each.

We mention just three of the new numbers—and it's worth while seeing them—they're the late high-bust Corset ideas—the Corset that's winning favor already in connection with fall costumes. Be sure and see these!

Some bargains in Corsets, too, to close out a lot of broken sizes, though the styles are all good. The \$2.75 Corsets are marked \$1.75. The \$2.50 Corsets are marked \$1.50. The \$2.25 Corsets are marked \$1.25.

\$2.50 Jersey Top Skirts at \$1.50.

Thoroughly glove-fitting and very elastic are these prettily shirred flounced Skirts, protected by dust ruffle of good quality satteen. She entire top of skirt is of fast black Jersey Cloth. Every one of them are \$2.50 quality, sale price, \$1.50. Second floor, please!

New styles in Near Silk, Satteen and Heather-bleom Taffeta Skirts, \$1.00 to \$4.00.
50 dozen Fast All-Wool Knit Skirts, in all colors, 25c to \$2.00 each.

Draperies.

Mantle Draperies in fine quality Silkline, in 3-yard lengths, 25c each.

An elegant line of the newest Satines, Cretonnes and Art Ticking.

Beauty Show of Women's Tailored Suits.

Dame Fashion has provided plenty of variety in this season's new tailored garments. This display will enlighten you as to the more favored wearables.

Broadcloth Suits, in the 27-inch fitted coats, \$20.00
solarless, satin lined, new fitted skirts, \$12.50 to \$25.00.

Lymanville Cheviot Suits, fitted coats, lengths 27 to 50 inches, skirts fitted in variety of styles, \$12.50 to \$25.00.

Cravanette Suits, olive and tan, semi-fitted Box Coats, plaited circular skirt, a charming model, \$25.00

The popular Grey Panama Suits, single-breasted fitted coats, plaited skirts, \$25.00 and \$30.00.

Eton Suits, in fancy mixtures and broadcloths, \$20.00 to \$35.00.

Handsome Imported-Prunella Cloth Suits, 50-inch coats, plaited skirts, beautiful models, at \$40.00



Dress Materials for Fall.

An extensive collection, vast in variety, rare in beauty, fashionable in effect, worthy in quality. Of these things will you come and be judge?

Rainproof Suitings, 54 inches wide, in all the wanted shades for coats and skirts; unusual values at \$1.00 and \$1.25 yard.

Imported Prunella Cloth, 42 inches wide, in the dainty and most wanted colorings, per yard \$1.00

All-Wool Surah Serge, 44 inches wide, in the late shades of plum, green, navy and garnet. We predict for this material the most popular demand. Sale price, per yard \$1.50

Lustre Plaids, 27 inches wide, in rich color combinations—hard to distinguish it from real silk—sale price, per yard 29c

New styles in Near Silk, Satteen and Heather-bleom Taffeta Skirts, \$1.00 to \$4.00.

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Stunning Neckwear

for Women.

Just a step inside the entrance are these enchanting bits of Neckwear. The prices form a pleasing part.

Exquisite Oriental Lace Collars, also Chiffon Collars, with lacy effect, usual 75c and \$1.00 kinds; sale price 59c

Dainty Collar and Cuff Sets, in Organdy, Linen, Lawn, Lace and other styles; sale price, 25c up.

New Ruchings in every desirable shade and many different styles, 15c to 50c yard.

The roadster classes, horses in harness, tandems, four-in-hands, ponies, saddlers and hunters, have all been well treated, while there are four specials, with prizes ranging from \$50 to \$500 each.

Among the steeplechase winners at the recent Latonia meeting was the black horse Mr. Rose, eight years old, by Ben Himpar, dam Tuberosa, who won over Jim Bozeman, Martin Brady and two others, in a handicap, over the short course, time 3:00 1-5. Mr. Rose was bred in the Shiloh Stud of Dr. L. L. Stuton, Barbours, N. C., who owned both his sire and dam. The latter Tuberosa, formerly known as Chascoal, was a back daughter of Mrs. Chascoal, dam Miss Grace, by Bolus, second dam Grace Darling, Dabbs's dam, by Jonesboro, son of Lexington. She was bred in the Ellerslie Stud, Charlottesville, Va.

Henry T. Oxnard, the sugar king, while on a recent visit in England, bought the thoroughbred stallion Islington, a full brother to the great English stallion Islingham, and sire of Kinley Mack, the only horse that ever won both the Suburban and Brooklyn Handicaps. On arrival in this country Islington will be taken to Mr. Oxnard's Virginia breeding establishment, The Blue Ridge Stud, near Rectortown, in Fauquier county. Ever since Islington was in this country and the sire Kinley Mack, Mary Black and the crack two-year-old Michael III, horsemen have been anxious for his return to America.

One of the cleverest, and probably most promising, trotting bred foals in the vicinity is the bay filly, foal of 1905, by Direct, 2:05 1-4 dam Rhodantha, by Marbrino Boy, 2:25 1-4. Second dam the noted brood mare Remembrance, dam of Virginia Jim, 2:12 1-2, etc., by George Wilkes. Bred and owned by A. T. Griffith, of this city, this filly is entered in close to \$50,000 worth of stakes. Her engagements will be kept up, and high hopes are centered in the future of the daughter of the famous dead sire Direct.

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Prince of Traer, 2:24 1-4, the big gelding by Idol, Jr., is being driven on the road by Joseph Lassiter, of the Richmond Horse Bazaar. The black son of Idol, Jr., is a mustang in size, being close to 16.2 in height, and weighing over 1,800 pounds, yet he is handy in harness, and can get away quick.

The Effect in Kentucky.
Northern Man (Inquisitively).—What is the effect of liquor drinking in this region, Colonel?

Colonel Corklight (courteously).—We get aggregate \$8,350, and there are forty classes drunk, suh—Puck.

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